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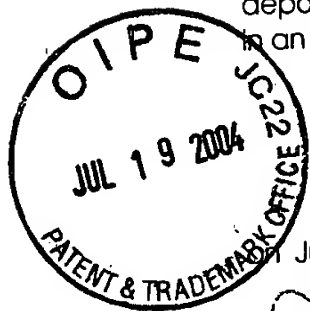
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Applicant: Bauer-Plank et al.
Serial No.: 09/848,988
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For: Pourable Frying Compositions
Group: 1761
Examiner: Carolyn Paden
Edgewater, New Jersey 07020

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.55(c)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Office to accept a delayed claim for priority. The priority claim accompanies this petition. Although a claim for priority was made in the declaration of the application as filed, it listed the wrong filing date for the priority application. The priority document was submitted with a transmittal letter mailed October 15, 2001. The correct date was provided in the document transmitting the priority document.

Applicants respectfully request that the claim for priority with the correct priority date be accepted. The entire delay between the date that the claim was due under 37 CFR §55(a1) and the present date was unintentional.

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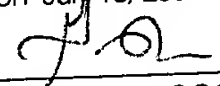
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CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 55 in patent cases, Applicants hereby claim priority under 35 USC §119 of European Application No. 00201631.9 filed May 4, 2000. The priority document has already been filed.

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